

**MINUTES OF THE
EXECUTIVE OFFICES & CRIMINAL JUSTICE
APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
Room 25 House Building
February 3, 2014**

Members Present: Sen. Daniel Thatcher, Co-Chair
Rep. Eric K. Hutchings, Co-Chair
Rep. Keven J. Stratton, House Vice Chair
Sen. Curtis S. Bramble
Sen. Jim Dabakis
Sen. Mark B. Madsen
Sen. Ralph Okerlund
Sen. Stuart C. Reid
Rep. Rich Cunningham
Rep. Richard Greenwood
Rep. Craig Hall
Rep. Brian S. King
Rep. Merrill F. Nelson
Rep. Curtis Oda
Rep. Jennifer M. Seelig

Members Excused: Rep. Gregory H. Hughes

Staff Present: Mr. Gary Syphus, Fiscal Analyst
Mr. Zackery King, Fiscal Analyst
Ms. Jennifer Eyring, Committee Secretary

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

Co-Chair Hutchings called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes

No minutes were approved at this meeting.

2. Unfinished Business from previous meetings

Attorney General

Mr. Zackery King, Fiscal Analyst, outlined budget and revenue sources for the Office as found in S.B. 5 Executive Offices and Criminal Justice Base Budget. Trend Analysis, Personnel and Vacancy Analysis, the Attorney General Litigation Fund graph, and the Victims of Domestic Violence Service Account graph, as found in the meeting materials, were reviewed. Mr. King explained the analyst recommendation for the "Off-Budget" Fund 2000 Attorney General Consumer Programs Fund and reallocation items listed in "LFA Recommendations/Co-Chairs List - February 3, 2014."

Co-Chair Hutchings relinquished the Chair to Co-Chair Thatcher.

Mr. Sean Reyes, Attorney General, responded to the first analyst reallocation recommendation, stating that leaving the funds in the Communications Portal could be used to fund IRIS, the identity theft program, and possibly Victim Information and Notification Everyday (VINE).

Mr. Werner Haidenthaller, Budget Director, discussed background information concerning nonlapsing funds. He referred to the handout from the previous meeting, "Attorney General's Office: Details of Non-Lapsing Carry Forward Amounts" and explained the Mortgage and Financial Fraud and Contract Attorney nonlapsing balance numbers.

3. Voting for S.B. 5 (Base Budget Bill)/Other Voting

The following motions refer to the handout "LFA Recommendations/Co-Chairs List - Feb. 3, 2014."

MOTION: Vice Chair Stratton moved that the changes recommended by the Co-Chairs as outlined on the handout, be adopted and incorporated as a recommendation to the Executive Appropriations Committee as changes in the base budget.

After committee discussion, it was decided to go through each recommendation before voting. The motion was withdrawn.

MOTION: Vice Chair Stratton moved that the one-time funds reduction for Board of Pardons be changed from \$500,000 to \$425,000. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Bramble, Sen. Madsen, Rep. Hughes, and Rep. Hutchings absent for the vote.

MOTION: Vice Chair Stratton moved to approve the Board of Pardons reduction of \$425,000. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Bramble, Rep. Hughes, and Rep. Hutchings absent for the vote.

The discussion continued on each item on the recommendations list.

Mr. Mike Haddon, Deputy Director, Department of Corrections, addressed the budget reductions on the recommendations handout and stated they would be requesting \$500,000 supplemental funding for medical costs for the current fiscal year.

MOTION: Co-Chair Hutchings moved to remove the \$600,000 reduction from the Department of Corrections.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Vice Chair Stratton moved to remove the \$600,000 reduction from the Department of Corrections and include intent language that Corrections would report their efforts on the recommendations of the audit committee at the first interim meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Bramble absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. King moved to place the Department of Human Services - DORA (Drug Offender Reform Act) item for interim study. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Co-Chair Hutchings moved to adjust the amount of reduction on the Department of Corrections Audit/NLB FY 2013 Closing amount from \$22,000,000 to \$20,000,000. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Co-Chair Hutchings moved to remove the reduction of \$400,000 from the Division of Juvenile Justice Services - Social Services Block Grant. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Hall absent for the vote.

MOTION: Vice Chair Stratton moved to remove the reallocation of \$100,000 for Board of Pardons FTE and the reallocation of \$100,000 for the Utah Highway Patrol Sergeant. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Vice Chair Stratton moved to accept and approve the following funding reductions:

Board of Pardons	(\$425,000) one-time	
Department of Public Safety	(\$3,000,000) one-time (\$1,000,000) one-time (\$100,000) ongoing	Driver License NLB Restricted Account NLB Unrestricted Amount Liquor Law Enforcement
Guardian ad Litem	(\$150,000) one-time	
Department of Corrections	(\$20,000,000) one-time	
Juvenile Justice Services	(\$439,400) ongoing (\$290,000) one-time	Weber Valley Detention Center Nonlapsing Balances
Attorney General	(\$200,000) ongoing (\$224,000) one-time	Communications Portal Nonlapsing Balances.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Co-Chair Hutchings moved to approve the reductions as listed in the original motion and including the following:

Courts	(\$100,000) ongoing (\$300,000) one-time \$100,000 ongoing \$300,000 one-time	General Operations General Operation General Fund Restricted State Court Complex Account General Fund Restricted State Court Complex Account
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The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Vice Chair Stratton moved to approve the S.B. 5 base budget bill as presented in the Tuesday January 28th meeting materials, with the changes voted on during the January 28th through January 31st meetings, together with changes made during today's meeting on February 3rd, to allow the Legislative Fiscal Analyst Office to draft the bill and make any necessary technical adjustments, and to pass it as a Subcommittee bill. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Bramble and Rep. King absent for the vote.

6. Adjourn

MOTION: Rep. Oda moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Bramble and Rep. King absent for the vote.

Co-Chair Thatcher adjourned the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

Sen. Daniel W. Thatcher, Co-Chair

Rep. Eric K. Hutchings, Co-Chair